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SUBJ: POLISH REFUGEE ANDRZEJ SIOBOWICZ

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1. SIOBOWICZ ARRIVED AS SCHEDULED. STATES HE CONFIDENT THAT POLISH AUTHORITIES WILL NOT PRT NOT DISCOVER HIS ACTION AND HE IS NOT RPT NOT CONCERNED HIS IMMEDIATE PERSONAL SAFETY. NOW HOUSED IN INEXPENSIVE HOTEL.

2. ADMITTED TO LEBANON UNTIL SEP 17. WE ARE RELATIVELY CONFIDENT HIS STAY CAN BE EXTENDED AT LEAST FOR BRIEF PERIOD.

3. ITALIAN EMB HERE CAN ISSUE TRANSIT VISA IMMEDIATELY, BUT VALID ONLY FOR FIVE-DAY VISIT. CAN ALSO ISSUE REGULAR TOURIST VISA BUT MUST OBTAIN APPROVAL ROME WHICH NORMALLY REQUIRES APPROX ONE WEEK.
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4. WE BELIEVE BEST COURSE OF ACTION WOULD BE FOR SIOBOWICZ CONTINUE TO ROME, THUS AVOIDING EXTRA TRIP BY INS REP ATHENS. FURTHERMORE, SHOULD POLISH EMB LEARN OF HIS PRESENCE HERE, WE CANNOT GUARANTEE GOL WOULD BE IN POSITION TO RESIST PRESSURES FOR HIS REPATRIATION TO POLAND. SIOBOWICZ HAS INSUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR TRIP. IF FUNDS FOR TRAVEL TO ROME AVILABLE, CABLE FISCAL DATA SOONEST.

5. FOR ROME: ASSUMING PROCESSING CANNOT BE COMPLETED IN FIVE-DAY PERIOD, CAN ITALIAN TRANSIT VISA BE EXTENDED TO FULL TOURIST VISA AFTER SIOBOWICZ'S ARRIVAL ROME?
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